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<u>Information Request D.T.E. 1-6</u>

- Q. Please refer to page five of Exhibit-NGC-1. List the "future regional infrastructure projects" referenced on line nine.
- A. There are a number of LNG projects in the proposed or initial stages of development that could be available and would serve as either a replacement or as a supplement to the Company's current portfolio of contracts. These projects are located either in the Northeast United States, in Maritimes Canada, or along the St. Lawrence River.

In the Northeast United States, there are four LNG projects worth noting: KLNG in Providence, Weaver's Cove in Fall River, the North East Gateway off of Gloucester, and Broadwater off of Long Island. The KLNG and Weaver's Cove projects would serve as onshore LNG terminals and could provide the Company a source of vapor or liquid LNG. The North East Gateway and Broadwater projects are floating regasification projects that could provide vaporized LNG to the Company. All four projects would require additional interstate pipeline infrastructure in order to deliver volumes to the Company's citygates.

In Maritimes Canada, the Bear Head and Canaport (Irving Oil) projects will serve as onshore LNG terminals. Due to their greater distance (and greater associated trucking cost) from the Company's service territory, the Company would consider them more as sources of vaporized LNG assuming laterals are built to connect these projects to the Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline.

Along the St. Lawrence River, the Rabaska and Gros Cacouna onshore LNG terminals could serve as sources of vaporized LNG once they are connected to the Trans-Quebec Maritimes Pipeline. Due to their greater distance (and greater associated trucking cost), the Company would not anticipate them serving as sources of liquid LNG.